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SUBJ: EXCHANGES: CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS (CU/ARTS): NEW YORK
PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA (NYPO)

IN JANUARY FIFTEEN MEETING GOSK DEPUTY DIRECTOR YELISEEV
TOLD EMBOFF THAT REPEATED GOSK ATTEMPTS TO OPEN HALLS
EARLIER THEN SEPTEMBER EIGHT, 1976 FOR NYPO HAVE FAILED.
EMBOFF STRONGLY REQUESTED FURTHER ATTEMPTS THROUGHOUT
SOVIET UNION AS OPPOSED TO JUST BALTIC STATES AND
LENINGRAD. DEPUTY DIRECTOR AGREED TO TRY AND SAID HE
WOULD INFORM US OF RESULTS IN JANUARY NINETEEN MEETING
WITH SUPAGIN AND EMBOFF.

COMMENT: HALLS IN SOVIET UNION HAVE RIGHT TO REJECT
OFFERED PAG'S. LEAVE FOR HALL PERSONEL OCCURS ONLY
DURING PERIOD OF NYPO PROJECTED TOUR EACH YEAR AND RELUCTANCE
TO CANCEL YEAR'S LEAVE IS UNDERSTANDABLE. SUGGEST,
PENDING JAN. 19 REPLY, DEPT. BEGIN TO CONSIDER POSSIBLE SECOND
COUNTRY FOR EARLY PART NYPO TOUR, WITH SOVIET PART STARTING
SEPTEMBER SIX OR SEVEN. WILL ADVISE RESULTS JANUARY NINETEEN
MEETING.

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